

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-046

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE GOAL OF VISION ZERO – THAT NO LOSS OF LIFE IS ACCEPTABLE ON OUR CITY STREETS; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT RESOLUTIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the growth and vitality of our city requires safe and reliable transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, the life and health of City of Cocoa residents are our utmost priority; and

WHEREAS, Vision Zero is the concept that there is no acceptable number of traffic deaths and serious injuries on our roadways; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cocoa recognizes that no one should die or be seriously injured while travelling on our city streets; and

WHEREAS, children, the elderly, people of color and people in low-income communities face a disproportionate risk of traffic injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, people walking and bicycling represent a disproportionate number of these fatalities; and

WHEREAS, driver behavior, including speeding, distracted driving and drunk driving, are significant contributing factors to this loss of life; and

WHEREAS, Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization adopted a resolution endorsing Vision Zero to achieve zero traffic deaths and severe injuries; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation has formally adopted “Driving Down Fatalities,” its own version of the national vision, “Towards Zero Deaths.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, as follows:

SECTION 1. The City of Cocoa adopts the goal of Vision Zero — that no loss of life is acceptable on our city streets; and.

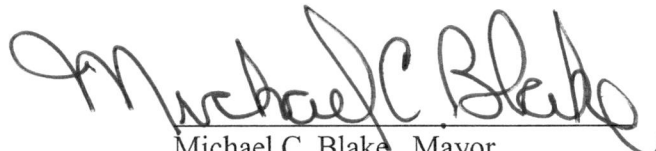
SECTION 2. All prior resolutions or prior resolutions inconsistent with this resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the City Council of the City of Cocoa, Florida.

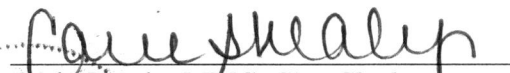
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Vision Zero Safety Committee will be formed to advise City Council on the development and implementation of a Vision Zero Safety Action Plan; and shall be comprised of organizations and agencies with expertise in transportation, enforcement, education, public health, emergency response, equity, transit, biking, walking, vehicles and freight; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Council directs the Vision Zero Safety Committee to develop assurances against racial profiling and targeting as it pertains to Vision Zero enforcement and to ensure that communities of color, police and community leadership are included in the decision-making and development of enforcement plans or policies.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Cocoa, Florida, in a regular meeting assembled on the 25th of May, 2021.


Michael C. Blake, Mayor

ATTEST:


Carrie Shealy, MMC, City Clerk

